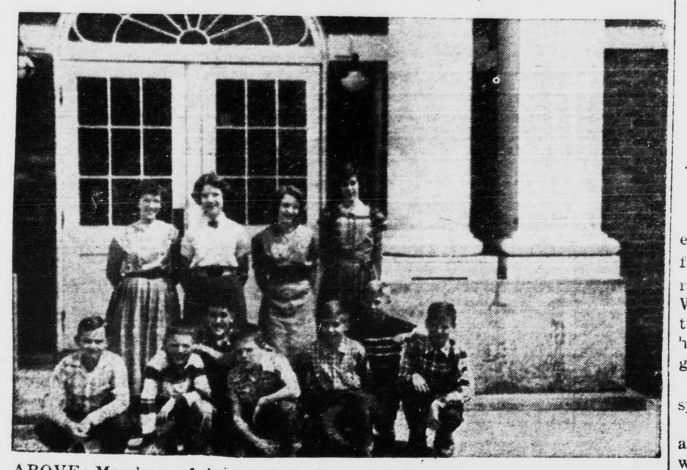
4-H Electric Project



ABOVE: Members of Appomattox School Clubs who gave demonstrations.

After receiving instructions all year from the county home agent and Vepco representatives, members of the Appomattox County 4-H Clubs taking the electric project decided to show what they had learned.

Members gave demonstrations before their clubs on such things as "How to make an extension cord" and "How to use and care for home appliances."

The followeing members gave demonstrations:

Appomattox School Clubs
Leonard Carter
John Emmett
Virginia Shouse
Marvin House
Willard Johnson
Marlene Barger
Penny Abbitt
Carol Faye Couch
Steve Runkle
Johnnie Taylor
Virginia Carolyn Caldwell
Donald Tomlin
J. W. Weeks, Jr.
Hal Flood.

Pamplin School Clubs
Ann Ranson
Roger Davis
Louella Martin
Eleanor Richardson
Phillip Lucado
Mary Willie Ranson

Spout Spring Club
Sara Adams
Sandra Pillow
Wilson Mann
Phillip Phelps
Blaine Carter

Oakville Club
Ann Moore
Madeline Woody
Tommy Drinkard

Vera Club
Becky Reynolds
Alice Fay Thornhill.

Brucelossis Control Program

Gains Momentum in Virginia

The time is now for farmers to take advantage of Virginia's brucellosis control program, advises Jim Smith, County Agent.

Many milk markets in the state have already set a date, or announced their intention of setting a date, after which all grade A milk must come from brucellosis-free cows.

Currently underway in Virginia is an intensification of the control program, made possible by Federal funds. Smith says each farm and each herd presents a separate problem. Therefore, the method of control cannot be rigid. It must be designed to meet the specific needs of the herd at hand. As a result, plans have been devised by the state veterinarian to cover almost any condition.

Under the present program, the Federal government will: (1) pay for testing any herd that has not had a negative blood test since November 1, 1953; (2) continue to test herds that have reactors until they have three negative tests 30 to 90 days apart (if the owner sells reactors for slaughter within 15 days after the animals are tagged and branded); and (3) make indemnity payments for reactor cattle (when they are removed from the herd during a prescribed period) with a maximum of $25 for grade cattle and $50 for purebred cattle, in addition to salvage value.

Plans are being formulated whereby each cattle owner in Appomattox County will have the opportunity for his cows to be tested and calves to be vaccinated.

"How important is brucellosis control?" Smith puts it this way. "If you're a dairy farmer producing grade A milk, each infected cow will lose $55.80 for you. If you're producing ungraded milk, each infected cow loses $29.25."

These figures are based on the theory that the average cow in Virginia produced 4,500 pounds of milk. If she becomes infected, the production drops at least 20%.

It is estimated that 2.5% of the dairy cattle of Virginia's 460,000 head are infeated. This is below the national average, but still makes up a whopping 10,330,000 pounds of milk that aren't there .. because of brucellosis. Assuming the lost milk was grade A, that means a loss of $724,500; ungraded, $333,375. The acutal figure, of course, lies somewhere in between.

The losses enumerated are only in the dairy industry. In beef cattle the loss of a calk because of the disease means the loss of an entire year's profit, not just 20%.

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Fort Laramie
also One Girl's Confession

News Around Town

By Mrs. Calvin Robinson

I liked this one:

A decrepid horse was being offered to the highest bidder. An old farmer watched as a young man in riding breeches bid for the animal. When the sale was completed he turned to the young fellow. "Tell me," he said, "what on earth you are going to do with that nag?"

"Oh," replied the cocky young sportsman, "I'm going to race him."

The farmer took a second look at the animal. "Well," he said, "you will win." —L & N Mag.

Those from here planning to attend the Jefferson - Jackson Day Dinner of the Fourth District tomorrow evening at the Petersburg Country Club are: Rep. and Mrs. Watkins M. Abbitt, Senator Chas. T. Moses, George Abbitt Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Robinson, Mrs. Russell F. Wagers, G. B. Buchanan Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Anderson David T. Robertson, N. E. Farrar Grover E. Smith, Thomas Terrell Martin. A reception will be held at 6:30 P. M. and the dinner following at 7:30. Rep. John Watts, of Kentucky will be the guest speaker. The Hon. Sam Rayburn, of Texas, and Senator A. Willis Robertson will also attend.

Major and Mrs. Mark Weatherly announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Ann, born May 17 at Emerald-Hodglin Hospital, Sewannee Tenn. Mrs. Weatherly is the former Katheryn Burge, of Appomattox.

Saturday will be Poppy Day in Appomattox, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Mr. and Mrs. David Notestein, of Charlestown, S. C., were called here due to the illness of her mother Mrs. E. W. Blackwell, who is recovering at the Virginia Baptist Hospital from a recent operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Scott Cates and son, Scottie, of Washington, D. C., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Murphy.

Bobby Haley and Harry Jarrells enjoyed a fishing trip off the Eastern Shore the past week-end. They reported an excellent catch. They landed two channel bass, weighing 55 and 58 pounds!

Don't forget the annual Memorial Day exercises to be held on Sunday afternoon at 3:00, at the Old Court House Confederate Cemetery. In event of rain: at new cort house.

Carver-Price School News

Hello Readers! Only a few more days now before the last school bell rings. We feel a bit sad about it, too.

This year four of our former Carver students graduate from colleges; namely, Charles O. Jeffries, Curtis Marshall and Deaster Johnson from Virginia State College, and Donald Doss, from St. Paul Polytechic Institute. We are proud of these students. Monday May 30, at 11:00 A. M., Virginia State's commencement exercises will be held. St. Paul's Commencement was held last Monday.

Charles O. Jeffries, on Friday, May 20, at Virginia State College, had his 2nd Lieutenant Bars pinned on. He will serve two years in the Paratroop Division of the Regular Army as a Commissioned Officer. He was Editor-in-Chief of the Yearbook, President of Alpa Kappa Mu Honor Society, and an Honor Roll Student.

On Tuesday, canadidates running for the offices of President and Vice-President for next year's Student Council made campaign speeches in assembly, which were interesting and well presented. Those running for President were: Gloria Jenkins, Mary Goode, and Edward Walker; those running for Vice - President were: Roberta Lewis, and Celestine Chambers. The out-going President, Winston Jones, thanked the students for their cooperation and interest during his term of office. A report of the State Student Participation Association held recently in Farmville, was made by Sarah Harvey. The assembly closed with the student body anticipating the election on Monday for their officers. The wise choice of prospective officers was requested by Winston Jones, President, when exercising the power of vote on Monday. Mr. James H. Clay is sponsor.

The Senior Exams begin this Thursday and Friday. Senior privileges commence next Monday. My how we wish we were the honorable seniors! Regular Exams for the rest of us on June 1 and 2.

Class Night exercises will be held on next Thursday evening, June 2, at 8:00 P. M. The general public is invited to attend.

The Tenth Grade Class holds its picnic at Prince Edward Lake this Saturday. They will travel by the Trailway Bus Service. This class does things up fine—such transportation! They will have all sorts of good things to eat at this grand picnic. Were any of you invited, classes?

And our thought to guide us through the week:

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

HAZEL MOON Y. W. A.

The Hazel Moon Y. W. A. of the Spout Spring Baptist Chuch held its regular monthly meeting on May 21 at 8:00 o'clock in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Colin Godwin and family, of Gladstone. There were 7 members present, with four visitors, including Miss Hazel Moon. The next meeting will be held June 25, at 7:30 at the Spout Spring Baptist Church.

VIRGINIA SAFETY ASSOCIATION MEETS JUNE 2-4

Richmond, Va., May 25 — Highlighting the 21st annual conference of the Virginia Safety Association to be held here, June 2-4 will be a joint program on traffic safety which has just been announced by W. L. Groth, Richmond's Director of Public Safety who is Chairman of the Conference's Street and Highway Section and Judge R. Dixon Powers of Henrico County who is also President of the Association of Trial Justices of Virginia and who is heading the Law Enforcement Section.

Burton Mayre, Jr., Deputy Commissioner and Chief Engineer of the Virginia Department of Highways will speak on "Projected Thinking in Traffic Safety" while Duval Lee, Lynchburg Traffic Engineer, will continue the engineering theme with a discussion of the importance of future planning.

An interesting innovation which proved highly successful at the 1954 session will be an address by a talented teen-ager who this year will be Miss Mary Lou Hill of Arlington's Washington and Lee High School with a presentation of the views of her age group. Another speaker from the distaff side will be Mrs. Randall W. Everett, Jr., of Arlington, State Safety Chairman of the Federation of Women's Clubs.

MAYOR BUYS FIRST POPPY

ABOVE: Mayor Chas. F. James was sold the first of the Poppies to be worn here Saturday in tribute to the 31 men of Appomattox County who lost their lives in World War I, II and Korea. The sale was made by Mrs. C. T. Moses, Jr., Legion Auxiliary Poppy committee chairman, accompanied by Mrs. Ivey Holland.

Compliance On Wheat Acreage

Mr. C. S. Rush, Chairman of the Appomattox County ASC Committee, announced today that compliance with acreage allotments will be required no longer in order for farmers to be eligible to participate in the agricultural conservation program.

This results from the recent repeal of the Holland Amendment, which made compliance with all acreage allotments a condition for ACP cost-sharing.

Farmers must still comply with their allotments to be eligible for CCC loans or other price support and, in case of tabacco, peanuts, cotton, and wheat, to avoid marketing quota penalties. Marketing quotas are not applicable for corn or for wheat where 15 acres or less is grown.

Mr. Rush said that this legislation would benefit mainly the wheat growers with less than 15 acres and the corn growers in the commercial counties of Accomack, Isle of Wight, Nansemond, Norfolk, Northampton, Princess Anne, Southampton, Surry and Sussex, who may not be interested in price support on these commodities but who do wish to participate in the Agricultural Conservation Program.

Wheat farmers, who are interested in CCC loans, and those with allotments of more than 15 acres are still urged to utilize any excess acres by cutting for hay, turning for green manure, or cutting for green silage before June 1.

Subscription rate: $2.00 a year; payable in advance.

Appomattox is a growing town.

Bow and Arrow Deer [illegible]

According to C. F. [illegible] of the Game Division [illegible] mission of Game and [illegible] eries, the statewide dee[r] [illegible] the past season by bo[w] [illegible] exclusive of the 33 killed [illegible] special bowhunt on Ho[g] [illegible] totaled 16 deer, four of [illegible] bagged in Agusta Coun[ty] [illegible] Smyth, two in Norfolk [illegible] one apiece in the count[ies of] Giles, Grayson, Page, [illegible] and Wise.

Phelps says untold [illegible] joyed the sport which [illegible] more and more hunters [illegible] since it appeals strongly [illegible] who prize the sport itself [illegible] the meat brought home. [illegible] that a poll taken among bowhunters showed that [illegible] had formerly been gun [illegible] of course, some contin[ue] both with bow and gun.

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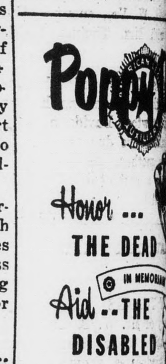

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Pamplin H. S. Finals Will Be Last for School

Finals begin Firday night at the Pamplin High School, and when the 14 Seniors receive diplomas on next Monday, June 6, they will be the last group ever to graduate from the Pamplin High School. Next session, the Pampiln High School will be consilodated with Appomattox High School.

The program for the Pamplin commencement (which in reality will be an "ending" for the school) is as follows:

Class Night, Friday, June 3. Prelude and processional by Peggy Garrette; prayer by Rev. D. W. Persinger; historian, Dorothy Richardson; poet, Jimmy Miller; prophecy Douglas Jamerson; numbers by the class; class will by Henry Richardson; grumbler, Bobby McClenny; giftorians, Margaret and Betty Orange and Cecil Williams.

Baccalaureate Sermon, Sunday June 5. The seromn will be preached by the Rev. J. G. Brady, of Beale Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Graduation Exercises, on Monday June 6. The program:

Prelude and processional by Peggy Garrett. Invocation by the Rev. W. M. Black. Salutatorian, Dan Seamster. Number, "Danny Boy," by Bobby McClenny. Introduction of speaker, Principal F. D. Irving. Address to the class, the Rev. J. G. Thompson. Number, "When Day is Done," by Rosalie Fore and Janice McClenny. Valedictorian, Marie Tolley. Presentation of gifts, Otis Richardson and Kenneth Baldwin. Presentation of diplomas by Principal F. D. Irving. Number, "Lord's Prayer," by Rosalie Fore. Recessional, Peggy Garrett.

Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

A long needed step in the Town of Appomattox has been taken, and an agreement reached for the State Highway Department to take over and maintain the "Cemetery Road." This passageway is the shortest approach to the community cemetery just outside the town limts. Due to shortage of required right-of-way the new agreement calls for the State to take over from the cemetery to the intersecting road extending southward to Evergreen St. The town will seek to do some improving on the remaining portion, leading to Church St.

A few weeks ago one of the fine Registrars of Appomattox County voting precints, was in our office and commented that lots of ladies were now registering to vote for the first time. We duly reported that in this column. On Tuesday of this week, this same registrar was again in our office, and we checked on how the registering was coming along. Well, she had another item for us .. a lady 79 years old had jus registered. She said she had never intended to vote, but decided at last she might as well qualify as most everyone else was. How about that: a first vote at 79. We hope she lives to cast many votes.

Notice that an addition is being made to the building at the Virginia Novelty Company. Mr. Leonard Anderson merits great commendation for the excellence of his plant. This is but another evidence that Appomattox is a growing town."

There is an old gag about the boy who said the only way he got through school was when the building burned down. The seniors of 1955 at Pamplin H. S. can always say: When I graduated they decided to do away with the high school! Next session, the Pamplin H. S. will be consolidated with Appomattox.

Have you ever noticed how much of conversation is taken up with: He Said, She Said, and I Said!

Coming events department: The week of June 19-25 will be National Bow Tie Week. I have two bow ties in my wardrobe, but seldom wear them. When you wear a bow tie what keeps the gravy off your shirt front?

The oldest plastic in the world is a love-stricken boy in the hands of a girl. —Cracklings.

All we need to do to make good drivers out of the womenfolk is to teach them to be as careful about curves when they're driving as when they are getting all dressed up. —Sidewalk Supt.

Appomattox is really going in for roses. Have seem more this year than ever, despite the bad start so many flowers got this spring. The climbing rose at the front porch of the J. E. Jamersons is lovely, but best not start listing those with beautiful roses and just say: they are all over town!

This is the time of year when I feast on watermelons. Have had generous portions of two thus far.

See they are working on a night depository at one of the local banks. That is a good thing — do your banking when you can only make a deposit. My weakness is drawing it out!

Memorial Day Exercises

Memorial Day exercises were held at the court house here last Sunday afternoon. The program, sponsored by the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the American Legion, was transfered to the court house from the Confederate Cemetery due to inclement weather. Mrs. S. W. West, of Lynchburg, was the speaker.

HAZEL MOON CIRCLE

The Hazel Moon Circle of the W. M. U. of Liberty Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Vara Hanenkrat Monday, June 6, at 8:00 P. M. Members are urged to be present.

ABBITT WAS SPEAKER

Representative W. M. Abbitt, of Appomattox was the speaker at the commencement exercises of Cumberland High School on Tuesday evening.

Evans Named President of Lions Club

T. DeWitt Evans has been elected president of the Appomattox Lions Club, and will be installed, along with other newly-named officers at the last regular club meeting in June.

Mr. Evans will succeed Joel W. Flood as club president. Other new officers are:

First vice-president, John Cole.
Second vice-president, Robert A. Sears.
Third vice-president, Charles R. Thomas.
Secretary and treasurer, Murrell Ferguson.
Tail-twister, Edwin Carter.
Lion Tamer, W. D. Morris.

Two members were added to the board of directors. They are: R. D. Robinson and Bobby Jamerson. The board includes past presidents and club officers.

Mr. Evans, the new president, is cashier of the Farmers National Bank, a member of the school board, and a leader in civic affairs here.

As first vice-president, John Cole will serve as chairman of the club program committee.

Time To Register

Most registrars of Appomattox County voting precints will be at their voting places on Saturday, June 11, to give voters a final chance to register and be eligible to cast a ballot in the July 12 primary election. There are a number who have paid capitation taxes and now must register in order to be eligible to vote.

Law requires registrar's books to be closed thirty days prior to an election.

To Attend Conference

The Virginia Methodist Conference will meet in Norfolk, Va. beginning June 13 and extending through June 16.

The Rev. B. T. Price, and C. W. Smith will attend the Conference from Memorial Methodist Church and pastors and delegates from the other Methodist churches in Appomattox will attend the annual gathering.

Holliday Lake Now Open

Holliday Lake, popualr recreational area near here opened Saturday for the summer season. The area offers fishing, bathing, boating and excellent picnic grounds.

MR. HENRY D. RAGLAND

Funeral services for Henry Douglas Ragland, 71, who died Monday night at his home here, were conducted from Liberty Baptist Church at 11 A. M. today by the pastor, Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr. Burial was in Liberty Cemetery. Mr. Ragland had been in declining health for six months. Born in Buckingham County, April 12, 1884, he was the son of Thomas Douglas and Elizabeth Frances Burnley Ragland.

He is survived by his widow, and two sons, Thomas Ragland, of Farmville and Frank Ragland, of Appomattox; five daughters, Mrs. Lizzie Bryant, of Dillwyn; Mrs. George Scruggs, of Prospect; Mrs. Junior Franklin, Mrs. Jesse Shoemaker and Mrs. George Wooldridge, all of Appomattox; five brothers, Charlie Ragland, of Lynchburg; Andrew, Eddie and Elbert Ragland, all of Buckingham, and Oscar Ragland; three sisters, Mrs. Ellis Viar, of Lynchburg Mrs. Agnes Fortune, of Forest, and Mrs. Annie Amox, of Wingina; 18 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He was a member of Liberty Baptist Church.

Appomattox Couple In Britain

. . . . Mr. and Mrs. George R. Kruer at Tower of London

London, England.—Mr. and Mrs. George R. Kruer, of Appomattox, are pictured here during a recent vacation in Britain, with one of the Yeomen Warders or "Beefeaters" who guard the Tower of London. The Kruers, who are on leave from army service in Germany, visited the Tower during a tour of the ancient City of London, the square-mile of the Roman settlement which has grown to the present-day metropolis of seven hundred square miles.

Circuit Court In Session Next Week

The June term of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County will convene here Tuesday, June 7. One of the matters to come before the court will be decision as to prosecution of an indictment against Frank Mayberry, 47, of Evergreen, charging the shooting of his brother-in-law, Jack Tucker, on Feb. 25. Mayberry was tried last month and sentenced to life imprisonment for the shooting of Dr. D. A. Christian, III.

The court also will have two felony cases and a number of civil matters.

MRS. WILLIAM J. COVINGTON

Funeral services for Mrs. Sadie Covington, 63, widow of William J. Covington, who died at 2 A. M. on Monday in Memorial Hospital after an illness of ten days, were conducted from the New Hope Baptist Church, Vera, yesterday at 3 P. M. Services were conducted by a former pastor, the Rev. J. P. Leitner, assisted by Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr. and the Rev. L. P. Brown. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Born in Appomattox County on March 10, 1892, she was the daughter of Robert and Ann H. Gilliam Covington. She is survived by a son, William Judson Covington, of Appomattox; three daughters, Mrs. Joe Bona, of Hampton; Mrs. Phillip Bottolie, of Bell Mead, N. J., and Miss Alise Covington, of Richmond; three brothers, Judson Covington, of Prospect; Arnold Covington and German Covington, both of Pamplin. Mrs. Covington was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church.

MRS. COLYER S. PARKS

Pamplin.- Funeral services for Mrs. Colyer Swan Parks were conducted Tuesday at 2 P. M. from the Olive Branch Methodist Church in Prince Edward County. Burial was in the Swan family cemetery here.

Mrs. Parks, president of Area Three, Licensed Practical Nurses Association of Virginia, died Sunday night in a Lynchburg hospital, after a few months' illness. She was 63.

Born Oct. 7, 1891, in Appomattox County, she was the daughter of Alexandrer Stephen and Ella Jenkins Swan. She was a member of Olive Branch Methodist Church.

She is survived by a daughter Mrs. Robert K. Martin, of Pamplin; two sisters, Mrs. Ray Young and Mrs. Charlie Rosser, both of Pamplin; and three grandchildren.

Services were conducted by the pastor, the Rev. J. C. Weaver, assisted by the Rev. W. M. Black.

Active pallbearers were Henry Covington, Bob Covington, Robert McClenny, Sidney Brockwell, Alex Rosser and Jimmie Rosser.

Madison Graduate

Harrisonburg, Va.- June Juanita Holt, of Appomattox, Va., is one of 153 graduating seniors at Madison College, who will receive diplomas Sunday afternoon, June 5.

Miss Holt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Holt, of Appomattox. Her major field at Madison has been library science. She is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Education.

Miss Holt has participated in the following during her years at Madison: Glee Club, Alpha Sigma Alpha social sorority, German Club, Y. W. C. A., Ex Libris, and May Court attendant.

After graduation her plans are to become librarian in Gar-Field High School in Prince William County, Virginia.

FFA Elects New Officers

Ralph Reynolds was elected to serve as president of the Robert E. Lee Chapter of the Future Farmers of America for the school year 1955-56, at the last meeting of the chapter. Other officers elected to serve with Ralph are: Wesley Newcomb, vice-president; Floyd Fleshman, secretary; Frank Inge, treasurer; Bobby Barger, reporter, and Fred Caldwell, sentinel. Charles Tweedy was chosen chairman of the executive committee. After the election, Ralph Harris, retiring president, handed the gavel to the new president, who took it and formally closed the meeting.

The new president has steadily risen in the ranks of leadership in the local chapter. As a freshman he was a "greenhand," representing the chapter in the Federation contest; as a sophomore he served as sentinel; and this year as a junior he has been the chapter treasurer. He has given a public welcome at the F. F. A. Banquet, and has taken part in a television show broadcast by the chapter.

MAY RAINFALL

May rainfall here was recorded at 2.4 inches by W. S. Taylor, statistician reporting to the weather bureau.

Contract Given For Road Work On Route 608

The State Highway Commission has awarded a $46,039 contract for the construction of 2.94 miles of Secondary Route 608 in Appomattox County.

The contract covers grading, draining and hard surfacing from Oakville to Route 657 near Vera, and is an extension of improvements recently completed between Concord and Oakville. The work should be completed this fall, Resident Engineer H. W. Runkle, of Appomattox, said.

The D. W. Winkelman Carolina Company, of Greensboro, N. C. submitted the lowest of nine bids at a May 18 highway letting to get the contract.

Miss Williams To Be Principal At New School

Miss Flora Belle Williams will be be principal of the new Elementary School when it opens for its first session next fall. Miss Williams has been a member of the Appomattox school faculty for a number of years, and has served as principal of the elementary department of the Appomattox High School.

It is also understood that Mrs. S. A. Lawson will be manager of the elementary school cafeteria.

Bill Williamson Made Honorary FFA Member

Bill Williamson, young farmer of Route 4, Appomattox, was made an honorary member of the Robert E. Lee Chapter of the Future Farmers of America at a recent meeting of the chapter. He was awarded the silver pin of a Chapter Farmer as a token of his membership. Bill was chosen by the membership for this honor because of his good work on his home farm, because of his leadership in the Appomattox Young Farmers Club, and because of his interest and help given the local chapter in many of their projects. Though Bill had to quit school when a freshman in high school he by no means stopped his education at that time, and he has taken every opportunity to learn the modern and best steps toward success in farming. Ralph Harris, president of the local chapter, presented the pin to Mr. Williamson.

Other awards made at this meeting consisted of the Star Chapter Farmer award which went to the chapter president, Ralph Harris, for this year. This award is made to the FFA boy who has made the most progress in his all-round program which includes his home farm program, his school work in vocational agriculture, and his work and leadership in the F. F. A. An award for the most work done by a chapter member towards soil and water conservation was presented to Frank Inge. Other awards won this year but not given at this meeting were: a Farm mechanics award by Claude Allen Moore, a rural electrification award by Paul Nash, and a Public Speaking award by Bobby Barger. The awards given at this meeting were presented by Mr. W. L. Motley, instructor of vocational agriculture.

Mr. J. A. Burke Will Speak at Schuyler Finals

J. A. Burke, Supt. of Appomattox County Schools, will be the commencement speaker Friday night at the finals of the Schuyler High School. Mr. Walter Payne, Jr., of Pamplin, is principal of the Schuyler School.

Schedule For A. H. S. Finals

Class Night exercises will be held Friday night, June 3, at the Appomattox High School, as the finals program begins for the Calss of '55.

Dr. Twyman Williams will preach the Bacaleaureate Sermon at ceremonies Sunday at 8:00 P. M. at the Liberty Baptist Church.

The commencement is set for Tuesday night, June 7, at the local school auditorium. Principal H. E. Kerr will deliver the address to the graduates. Charles Trent will be Salutatorian and Miss Lucy Perdue will be Valedictorian.

There are 63 Seniors in the Class of '55 here.

Oakville School Program

The Seventh Grade of Oakville school will have a graduation service Thursday, June 2, at 8 P. M. The class, consisting of seven girls and eleven boys, is making preparations for this long anticipated event. A program of interest with a guest speaker has been planned. This is the third annual graduation service. All patrons and friends of the school are invited to attend.

GROUND OBSERVERS ON DUTY JUNE 4

The local Ground Observer Post will go on duty June 4, from 9 to 9. The support of all members will be appreciated.

To Close James River Bridge

The State Highway Department reminded motorists today that the James River bridge at Wingina on Route 56 will be closed June 1 for extensive repairs and strengthening.

As announced previously by the department, the road will be blocked for about three months, during which time traffic will be routed over other bridges across the James. The Wingina, Bent Creek and Howardsville crossings are the only bridges over the river between Lynchburg and Scottsville.

Signs will be posted marking one detour by Bent Creek, over US 60 and Route 151, and another by Howardsville over Routes 602 and 626.

The State Highway Commission in April awarded a $34,626 contract for strengthening the steel superstructure, replacing the present floor with a stronger wood deck, and replacing the wood joists with new steel beams. The bridge will then have a 35,000 pound rating. A four-foot walkway wi[th] [a]dequate handrail will be provided for pedestrian traffic, which will be maintained at all times.